

Chamberlaine, and await such orders as he may think proper C. S. C.  
to give respecting the powder and other articles.

June 27 1776

[Council to Kent Committee.]

No. 49.

To the Committee of Observation for Kent County.

Gent<sup>rs</sup>

Twenty-two Barrels of Sulphur, Sixty Barrels of Gun-Powder, fourteen musquets, ten Bayonets, ten swivels & two Blunderbusses with their furniture, belonging to this province are lately arrived in Chingoteague in Accomack County in Virginia, and are now under the Care of Col<sup>o</sup> Matthews of that County.—as waggons cannot be procured in any of the lower Counties, we request you would immediately hire and despatch as many as may be thought necessary to convey the same from thence to Talbot Court-House, or to such place as Brigadier-General Chamberlaine shall order and direct

27<sup>th</sup> June 1776

[A. Buchanan to Council.]

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Balt<sup>o</sup> County June 27<sup>th</sup> 1776.

Gentlemen: I take leave to offer the inclosed plan of arrangement of the Militia under my direction to your consideration, the obvious utility in furnishing them better armed, and avoiding the inconvenience as well as expence of having too great numbers in service at the same time will I am persuaded present itself at first view and render it necessary, for me to recommend it, the Balt Town Battalion to whom it has as yet been only proposed will I believe readily adopt it, I shall do nothing further until it has received the sanction of your approbation:

I am w<sup>t</sup> respect y<sup>r</sup> hum<sup>l</sup> Serv<sup>t</sup>  
And. Buchanan:

To Capt. A. B. To avoid calling out too many of the Militia at one time on alarm, I have it in instructions from the General, to throw each comp<sup>y</sup> of the Battalion in certain divisions, one of which only is to be ordered on duty at the same time, except on an extraordinary emergency. the mode adopted you have inclosed for your Government the advantages resulting therefrom will I make no doubt sufficiently recommend it, however you are to take the sense of your

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